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INTER OFFICE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

First session, thirty-first meeting, 23 November 1956, 1600 Hours,
Room 1521, Barton Hall.

Present:

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1. At the Chairman's suggestion, the regular agenda was changed to give further consideration immediately to the question of NSA support for the RSB/SR, which had been the subject of the special meeting on 21 November. The reason for this was that the expected letter from NSA had now been received, and copies were made available to the Committee members, together with copies of a memorandum dated 27 November on the subject from AD/CR to DD/I.

2. The Committee noted that AD/CR had recommended to DD/I that the Committee be asked to draft a reply to NSA.

3. The minutes of the special meeting of 21 November were considered and, after some discussion as to whether they gave suitable emphasis to the Committee's concern with the release of technical information, they were approved as written.

4. With respect to the NSA letter, the Committee noted that it appeared to establish a clear recognition of the validity of CIA's need for frequency usage information and the appropriateness of CIA placing requirements on NSA for such information. It also noted that the references in the letter to collocation of the facilities at Fort Meade did not imply that this was a prerequisite to the release of the information.

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6. The Committee noted that the memo of the AD/CR to DD/I mentioned the possibility of ultimately transferring to NSA the CIA responsibility under NSC-169 for maintaining the RSB/SR. It was agreed, however, that this was not a current issue and should not be included in a reply to NSA.

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7. A working group headed by [redacted] and including [redacted] was appointed by the Chairman to draft a reply on the expectation that the DD/I will follow the recommendation of AD/CR in this regard and request a draft by IOTAC. It was instructed to clear the draft with [redacted] and bring it to the Committee for consideration at the next meeting.

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8. In view of the hour, the remainder of the agenda was postponed until Wednesday, 12 December (unless called sooner by the Chairman). [redacted] indicated he would be prepared to discuss the need for a centralized file on foreign electronic equipment types.

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Respectfully submitted,



Secretary

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